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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Patent Office
Action.

Enclosed with this petition is the Response which serves as a complete response to the
Office Action dated October 3, 2001. The three-month period expired January 3, 2002 and
this petition is therefore filed within the first month thereafter.

The application is filed by a small business entity. A Small Entity Declaration to that
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Therefore, a check for Fifty-Five (\$55) Dollars representing the one month extension fee is enclosed. If there is any additional fee due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-1453 (Our File No. 100-1120).

Respectfully submitted,

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